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POLISH PRIVET

(Ligustrum Polishi)

A New Hardy Privet for the North

Introduced in 1912 by

IRVIN INGELS

PROPRIETOR OF

The Home Nursery, LaFayette, Ill.

DESCRIPTION.

A tall shrub with upright branches, usually growing eight to twelve feet in height. Leaves bluish green and lustrous, half evergreen. Flowers white in dense, slightly drooping panicles, three to four inches long. The characteristic color of the foliage is held throughout the season and does not change in the least at the approach of cold weather. Makes a very dense mass when sheared, ideal for topiary designs and a very rich plant when grown singly or in mass. Berries black.

HISTORY.

This hardy PRIVET was brought over from Poland about twenty years ago, with a lot of other trees and plants, by the Iowa State College of Agriculture, with a view to obtain hardy and desirable trees, fruits and plants that would be adapted to the severe climatic conditions of northern Iowa. These were planted in the College Experimental Grounds and the two original plants of the Polish Privet may be seen growing in a flourishing condition, having never been injured in the least from the winters.

We obtained some stock of this variety about 13 years ago and have had it under observation, with a number of other leading kinds for comparison, being impressed with its superior qualities, and knowing the need of a hardy Privet for the north we decided to introduce it to the trade.

Taken from Jan. 1886, Revised List of names of and notes on Shrubs by Professor Budd, page 61, Iowa State College, Ames, Iowa.

Ligustrum vulgare—This desirable shrub has proven tender and delicate in leaf with us. The newly introduced forms of the Privet, from Poland and Central Russia, we are glad to report hardy and especially desirable for ornamental border hedges.

Note—The above refers to the Polish Privet described in this circular.

TESTED FOR HARDINESS.

It is now planted practically all over the United States and is being tested at all the principal Experiment Stations in Canada and is proving absolutely hardy and most desirable.

During the winter of 1911-12, such varieties as the California, Ibota, Amurensis, etc., were badly injured and in many localities killed down to the ground while the Polish Privet was not injured in the least.

TESTIMONIALS

The following testimonials, covering a very large area of country are from prominent Horticulturists and many that are high in the profession. These ought to be sufficient to convince the most skeptical.

Indian Head, Saskatchewan, Canada.

"On looking up our records we find that we obtained from you in 1913, Polish Privet plants. On making an examination we find that they are perfectly hardy, that is they never kill back in winter."

T. J. Harrison, B. S. A., Supt.
Exp. Sta. Southern Saskatchewan.

Scott, Saskatchewan.

"Your letter of the 18th making inquiry of Polish Privet. Some inches of the tips have been killed back by frost. Our lowest temperature for the winter was 46.6 below zero."

R. E. Everest, B. S. A., Supt.
Exp. Sta. N. W. Saskatchewan.

Agassiz, British Columbia.

"With regard to the Polish Privet, we beg to say that these were transplanted this spring and are doing reasonably well at the present time. They suffered no ill effects from the winter."

P. H. Moore, B. A. S., Supt.
Exp. Farm for British Columbia.

Cap Rouge, Quebec.

"The Polish Privet have wintered well and look strong. I cannot tell you how it compares with other privets as we have tried no others. The lowest temperature here was 31.2 below zero."

Gus. A. Langelier, Supt.
Exp. Sta. for Central Quebec.

Lacombe, Alberta, Canada.

"Polish Privet came through the winter fairly well. Lowest temperature at this station last winter was 41.6 below zero."

G. H. Hutton, B. S. A., Supt.
Exp. Sta. Central Alberta.

New Haven, Conn.

"You no doubt have hold of a very desirable plant and well worth pushing."

Ernest F. Coe, President.
The Elm City Nursery Co.

St. Paul, Minn.

"Concerning the Polish Privet we received from you last spring, wintered thru fine. They have not killed back one particle. Admire the plant very much for hedge purposes for this section."

L. L. May & Co.
Nurserymen, Florists & Seedsmen.

Springfield, Mass.

"The Polish Privet was planted in our Westfield Nursery and came thru the winter in very nice condition. We are quite well pleased with it and during the next few years will increase our stock of this as fast as we are able."

W. J. Adams Nursery Co.

Beverly, Mass.

"The Polish Privet obtained from you last spring wintered thru in good condition. We consider it a valuable acquisition to our list of hedge plants."

Testimonials—Continued

Des Moines, Iowa.

"Is the only absolutely hardy Privet in northern Iowa that I know of. We have had the Polish Privet under observation for several years and consider it equal to the California Privet in both habit of growth and color of leaf."

M. J. Wragg, Nurseryman and
Landscape Gardener.

Iowa State College, Ames, Iowa.

"It has been under observation on our Experimental grounds for a number of years and for our conditions has proven hardier than the California and is to be recommended in preference to it as an ornamental hedge plant for use in the north."

A. T. Erwin,
Professor in Landscape Gardening.

Princeton, Ills.

"We find the Polish Privet perfectly hardy, as it stood the severe winter of 1911-12 without injury. It holds its dark green foliage well into the winter and we consider it a most valuable addition to our list of hardy shrubs, either for hedging purposes or individual planting."

A. Bryant & Son, Nurserymen.

Southworth Brothers.

Nurserymen and Landscape Arch.

Flourtown, Pa.

"Clean upright growth, is very beautiful."

Ernest Hemming, Editor.
The National Nurseryman.

Louisiana, Mo.

"In regard to Polish Privet; this variety stood in our nurseries last winter without injury."

Stark Bros. Nurseries & Orchards Co.

Per P. C. Stark.

Vienna, Ills.

"The Polish Privet has wintered well; no signs of dead wood. We are going to push this privet."

Vienna Nursery Co.

Pittsburg, Pa.

"Polish Privet came thru the winter in perfect condition. California Privet in the neighborhood was killed down to the snow line."

W. T. Elliott, Secy.
The Elliott Nursery.

Seymour, Indiana.

"Polish Privet seems to lack nothing in point of hardiness."

Cunningham Nursery Co.

Pique, Ohio.

"Polish Privet wintered over in good shape. We consider it one of the best upright privets grown."

Zennie Ridge Nursery Co.
Per P. W. Leonard.

Chicago, Ills

"Polish Privet stood the winter well, we did not lose a single plant and is the nearest substitute for California privet we have yet had."

Otto Wittbold Nursery.
Per Otto Wittbold.

Bedford, Mass.

"Polish Privet sent us last season wintered most excellently. They are now making a strong growth much similar to the California."

New England Nursery Co.

Lacombe, Elberta, Canada.

"Polish Privet plants secured from you two years ago suffered to some extent from winter killing but are making fair growth and I think will make useful shrub unless succeeding winters prove more serious."

H. G. Hutton, B. S. A., Supt.
Exp. Sta. for Central Alberta.

Chicago, Ill.

"Polish Privet bought of you two years ago has gone thru the winter hardy up to the tops. It is not as vigorous a grower as the Amur but we are quite well pleased with it."

Peterson Nursery.

Testimonials—Continued

Bridgeport, Ind.

"The Polish Privet came thru the winter in fine condition. We do not like the foliage and growth quite as well as the California privet but the hardiness offsets every other good quality that other privets have. We like it better than anything we have tried."

C. M. Hobbs & Sons.

Roseacres, Miss.

"Relative to Polish Privet: This is a most excellent privet. We have had several nurserymen on our grounds who seem to feel that it will be one of the best selling varieties when it is well known. Owing to its similarity to the California privet it can be used for that variety in the sections of the country where the California is not hardy. With us it holds its foliage longer or as long as the California and much longer than the Ibota or Amoor River North Types."

The United States Nursery Co.

Germantown, Pa.

"We are very glad to say the Polish Privet is a very nice looking plant and has done perfectly well with us. If it proves hardier than the California Privet at more northern points it will be a very valuable addition to the horticultural collection."

Thomas Meehan & Sons.

Per S. Mendelson Meehan.

Normal, Ills.

"The past two winters have been severe enough to kill many varieties of privet but the Polish Privet came thru without the slightest injury. I find it to be a good grower and has a very beautiful foliage."

Herman Johnson.

Dept. of Parks, Rochester, N. Y.

"The Polish Privet has done very well so far. It has not suffered any injury from the winter."

John Dunbar, Asst. Supt. Parks.

Toronto, Canada.

"Polish Privet received from you wintered very satisfactorily."

H. L. Hutt, Mgr. Hort. Dept.

Dovercourt Land, Building & Savings Co.

New Carlisle, Ohio.

"The Polish Privet has been entirely hardy so far. It grows well and in appearance much like the Amoor River North and Ibota."

W. N. Scarf.

Little Silver, N. J.

"Polish Privet has proved, I am pleased to state, entirely hardy thus far and is promising as a hedge plant."

J. T. Lovett.

Hamilton, Ontario, Canada.

"The Polish Privet supplied by you has turned out to be satisfactory in every way. It stands the winter at our nursery splendidly and the foliage is also an attractive feature."

John Cannon Company, Lt.

Richmond, Ind.

"Polish Privet perfectly hardy and very satisfactory."

Fred Lemon & Co.

Yalesville Conn.

"Polish Privet we had went thru the winter in very good shape indeed, altho it was a very severe winter on plants."

The Barnes Bros. Nursery Co.

Kentville Nova Scotia.

"The Polish Privet you were good enough to send us are doing fine. It is perfectly hardy and we think it the best of any of the privets we have."

W. S. Blair, Supt. Dominion Exp. Sta.

Sioux City, Iowa.

"Polish Privet did not winter kill. Will want a few more because I think they are all right."

Sioux City Seed & Nur. Co.

Per G. H. Cummings.

Testimonials—Continued

Geneseo, Ills.

"Polish Privet, am glad to say, am well pleased with, it having stood the test of last winter . . . California and Amor River privets having frozen to the ground . . . I like it in preference to any I have tried."

J. W. Richmond, Nurseryman.

Central Exp. Farm, Ottawa, Canada.

"In reply to your inquiry of July 16th inst, I may say that the Polish Privet went through the winter very well and are making very good growth this summer. . . ."

F. E. Buck, (B. S. A.) Asst. in Ornamental Gardening.

Fort Atkinson, Wis.

"Polish Privet that we planted out a year ago came through the winter in nice shape and if this continues to do as well as it has done it will certainly be a valuable addition to our shrubs here."

Coe, Converse & Edwards Co.
Per A. J. Edwards, Sec'y.

Topeka, Kans.

Polish Privet we secured from you were planted on our grounds here. . . . Made satisfactory growth and came thru the winter in good condition."

J. H. Skinner & Co.

Troy, Ohio.

"Polish Privet received from you went thru the winter all right. We had some loss on the California."

The Farmers Nursery Co.

Painsville, Ohio.

"The Polish Privet wintered on our grounds all right . . . near alike if not identical with English Privet. . . ."

The Storrs & Harrison Co.

Biltmore, N. C.

" . . . Polish Privet is very satisfactory, but we are not able to find any distinguishing feature between this and the European. . . ."

Biltmore Nursery, By A. H. Jones.

North Milwaukee, Wis.

"Polish Privet we bought of you two years ago, we find it to be perfectly hardy in this latitude and would highly recommend it as the only privet so far as to hardiness.

Eschrichs Nursery.

Winfield, Kans.

"Polish Privet sent us last season made a nice growth, are a dark rich green and we believe will prove a very valuable privet. . . ."

The Winfield Nursery Co.
Per. H. S. Baker.

Boulder, Colo.

"The Polish Privet wintered all right, . . ."

W. G. Sutherland.

Boston, Mass.

"I like the appearance of the Polish Privet you sent me and do not see why it is not likely to come into quite general use later. It wintered well. . . ."

James H. Bowditch,
Landscape Gardening.

Ottawa, Kans.

"In regard to the Polish Privet, what few plants there were went thru the winter in good shape while the loss on the California Privet of the same season's planting was considerable. . . ."

A. Willis & Co.

Scott, Sask. Canada.

"Polish Privet received from you were placed in the nursery and were only planted in the arboretum this season, I regret to state that they were frozen back considerably each winter. . . ."

M. J. Tinline, B. S. A. Acting Supt.
Sta. for N. W. Saskatchewan.

Rochester, N. Y.

" . . . the plants (Polish Privet) referred to have wintered well . . . It seems to have the habit and appearance of the English Privet . . . Is it related to that variety?"

Ellwanger & Barry.

Medfield, Mass.

"The Polish Privet is entirely hardy with me, has not winter killed as yet."

Harrison H. Child.

Evanston, Ill.

"The Polish Privet that I bought of you stood the winters without any injury, I consider it the most valuable privet in my nursery, both in fine foliage and vigorous growth. . . ."

Frank Kadlec.

Clyde, Ohio.

"I think the Polish Privet will be very satisfactory in this locality."

A. R. Pickett.

Perrysburg, Ohio.

"I can speak but highly about the Polish Privet. Last winter California Privet, peaches, etc., were frozen down, Polish Privet withstood nicely. Is also a fine grower. . . ."

W. S. Richards, Belmont Farm.

PRICES.

Lig. Polishi (Polish Privet.)	per 10	per 100	per 1000
2 yr. olds, 2½ to 3½ ft. extra heavy, well branched, 1st Class, \$1.50		\$10.00	\$90.00
2 yr. olds, 2½ to 3½ ft., well branched, medium.....	1.25	8.00	75.00
2 yr. olds, 18 to 24 inch, well branched, medium.....	1.00	6.00	50.00
3 and 4 yrs., transplanted, 6 to 7 ft., heavy, specimens.....	3.00	18.00	
3 and 4 yrs., transplanted, 6 to 7 ft., Medium heavy.....	2.50	15.00	125.00
3 and 4 yrs., transplanted, 5 to 6 ft., heavy specimens.....	2.00	12.50	110.00
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Eight inch cuttings (5M, \$12.50; 10M, \$20.00).....	.25	1.00	3.00

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Note—Owing to the very favorable season, our stock, of privet has made an extra heavy growth and the two year old is 2 to 18 inches taller than usual, being heavier in every way. Our Cuttings are taken from plants cut back especially for cuttings, and are strong, well ripened wood.



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 Extreme hardiness. Vigorous and dense growth. Dark rich green foliage,
 Holds rich color to end of season. Tested and found hardy from
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